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John Baza, Director Utah Division of Oil Gas and Mining 1594 West North Temple, Suite 1210 Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-5801

RE: Notification of a Coal Lease-by-Application; Long Canyon Tract, Carbon County,

Utah

IN REPLY REFER TO:

3425(UTO23) UTU- 88953

Dear Interested Public:

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Utah State Office received a Lease-By-Application (LBA) to lease federal coal deposits located in Carbon County, Utah. The lease area is the Long Canyon Tract and is identified as UTU-88953. The proposal involves approximately 7,700 acres of federal coal. The coal rights are owned by the United States. All surface rights are privately owned.

The BLM Price Field Office will prepare an environmental assessment to analyze the effects of mining this property. As part of the LBA process, the following actions will be completed:

- a. determine the fair market value of the Federal coal included in the tract,
- b. evaluate the maximum economic recovery of the coal,
- c. identify the minimum bonus bid,
- d. and develop stipulations regarding the mining operations before a lease sale is held.

There will be a 30-day public scoping period from July 24, 2012, to August 23, 2012. This scoping period allows all interested parties the opportunity to submit comments and relevant information to the BLM for consideration in the analysis process. Scoping comments assist the BLM in defining possible project alternatives, issues of interest, and relevant concerns to Indian Tribes, other agencies, civic groups, and individuals.

Project Location

The Long Canyon Tract is located in the Wasatch Plateau coalfield approximately three miles east of Scofield, Utah as shown on the enclosed map.

The legal description is:

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T. 12 S., R. 7 E., SLM, Utah
sec. 28, E½SE¼;
sec. 33, E½NE¼;
T. 13 S., R. 7 E., SLM, Utah
sec. 1, lots 3-6, S^{1/2}N^{1/2};
sec. 2, lots 1-7, S½NE¼, SE¼NW¼, E½SE¼, SE¼, (all);
sec. 3, lots 1, 2, 5-10, SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, N<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>;
sec. 9, NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, E<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, E<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>;
sec. 10, all;
sec. 11, all;
sec. 12, all;
sec. 13, all;
sec. 14, all;
sec. 15, all;
sec. 16, E\frac{1}{2}E\frac{1}{2};
sec. 23, all;
sec. 24, N1/2, N1/2S1/2;
T. 13 S., R. 8 E., SLM, Utah
sec. 7, lot 4;
sec. 18, lots 1-4, W½NE¼, SE¼NE¼, E½NW¼, NE¼SW¼;
sec. 19, lots 1, 2, SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>;
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Containing 7675.15 acres

The lease lies within the Jump Creek and Scofield 7.5 Minute USGS Topographic Quadrangle maps.

Proposal

The proposal is to lease the Long Canyon Tract by competitive bid for underground mining. There are two coal seams present, both of minable thickness.

The LBA and maps are available on the Environmental Notification Bulletin Board and at the BLM Price Field Office between 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For written comments, please send to Steve Rigby, Price Field Office, 125 South 600 West, Price, Utah, 84501, and electronic comments to sfalk@blm.gov. If you have any questions regarding this project, contact Steve Rigby at 435-636-3604.

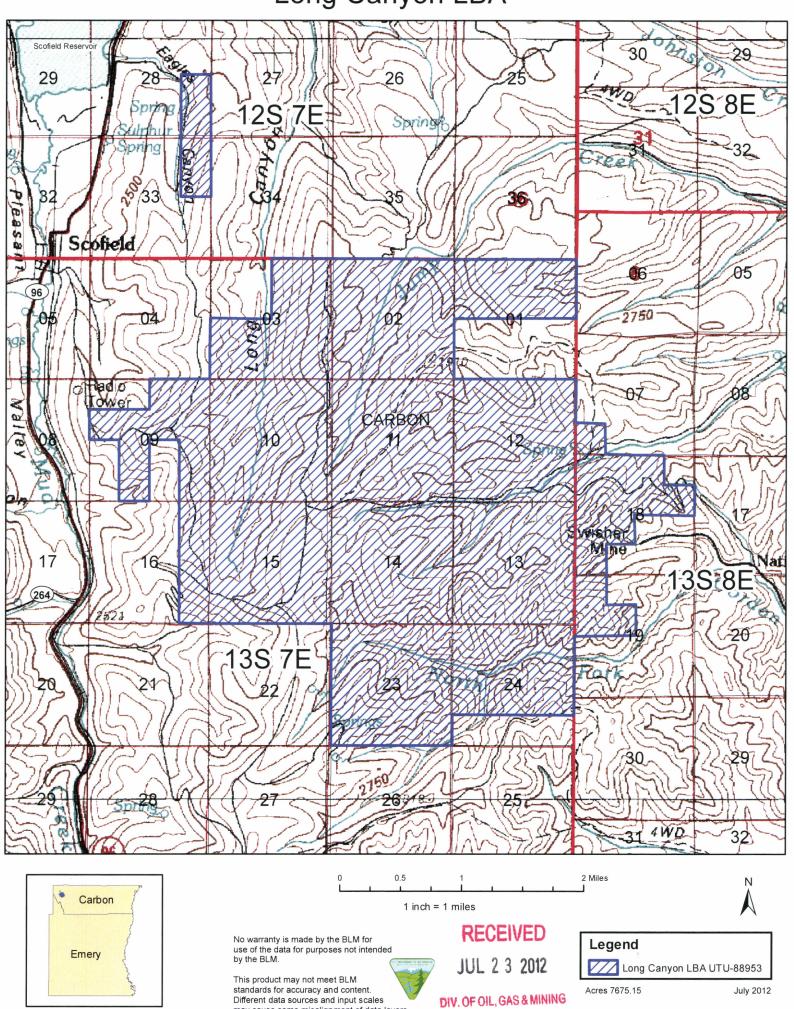
Thank you for your interest in our public lands.

Sincerely,

Patricia A. Clabaugh
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Field Manager

Long Canyon LBA



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